

TITLE I. APPLICABILITY OF RULES

FEDERAL RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

Rule 1. Scope of Rules; Title

(a) Scope of Rules.

- (1) These rules govern procedure in the United States courts of appeals.
- (2) When these rules provide for filing a motion or other document in the district court, the procedure must comply with the practice of the district court.

(b) Rules Do Not Affect Jurisdiction. These rules do not extend or limit the jurisdiction of the courts of appeals.

(c) Title. These rules are to be known as the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.

FEDERAL CIRCUIT RULE

Rule 1. Scope of Rules; Title

(a) Reference to District and Trial Courts and Agencies.

- (1) the terms “district court” and “trial court” include:
 - (A) the United States district courts;
 - (B) the United States Court of International Trade;
 - (C) the United States Court of Federal Claims; and
 - (D) if applicable, the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.
- (2) the term “agency” includes administrative agency, board, commission, or officer of the United States, including each of the following:
 - (A) the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences of the Patent and Trademark Office;
 - (B) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks;
 - (C) the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board;
 - (D) the United States International Trade Commission;
 - (E) the Secretary of Commerce acting under U.S. note 6 to subchapter X of chapter 98 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to importation of instruments or apparatus);
 - (F) the Secretary of Agriculture acting under 7 U.S.C. § 2461;
 - (G) the Merit Systems Protection Board;
 - (H) certain arbitrators;
 - (I) the Boards of Contract Appeals in federal agencies;
 - (J) the Secretary of Veteran’s Affairs acting under 38 U.S.C. § 502;
 - (K) the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission acting under 3 U.S.C. § 454;
 - (L) the Federal Labor Relations Authority acting under part D of subchapter II of chapter 5 of title 3;
 - (M) the secretary of Labor or the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, under part C of subchapter II of chapter 5 of title 3;
 - (N) the Office of Compliance acting under 2 U.S.C. § 1407(a)(1);